Logan County Zoning Board of Appeals

4-R-15 Request for rezoning

A ZBA meeting was held on May 7, 2015 at 7:30 P.M., in the West Lincoln – Broadwell Elementary School, 2695 Woodlawn Road, Lincoln, IL 62656 to review the petition of Douglas & Laurie Muck to Rezone property from SD (Special District) to M-3 (Extraction District).

Said property is generally located near the intersection of C.R 900E and 1500N, bounded on the north side by C.R. 1500N (gravel road). Parcel Number: 11-004-001-00.

Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order. Board members present were Doug Thompson, Rick Sheley and Judi Graff.

Approval of minutes: Judi Graff motioned to approve last meeting's minutes. Rich Sheley seconded. Motion passed.

Chairman Thompson swore in anyone who wanted to speak.

Mr. Doug Muck started his presentation. According to the IL state water survey the property is not in the aquifer. Mr. Muck gave an economic impact survey report. The county passed a directive for growth in 1979 that included valuable resources. Mr. Muck also gave a geological review. He anticipates the operation will employ 20 people. It will take about a year to develop. He also addressed the well issues for the surrounding residents. The structure will be away from residential properties and must meet air emission standards. Test drills show good quality of materials. Any discharge of water will be monitored by EPA. The surrounding land is zoned similarly to this land.

The Regional Planning Commission approved this petition.

Audience Remarks:

Mr. Hill, property owner nearby, stated concerns and wanted certain protections.

Glenda Downing talked about problems with the previous mine. She doesn't want to live by another one. She says property values will decrease in the area.

Blane Olson thinks the plan is too vague and there isn't a mining company working on project. Laurie Muck said any problems will be fixed. Farm land values will not decline. The overall benefit needs to be looked at.

Rick Sheley asked about the location of the plant. Mr. Muck said they are looking at the windfarm locations, economics and practicality are considered.

Chairman Thompson closed public comments.

The board members went over findings and facts sheet.

Rick Sheley motioned in favor of rezoning from SD to M-3. Judi Graff seconded the motion. Judi Graff - Yea, Doug Thompson - Yea, Rick Sheley - Y

Motion Passes

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judi Graff ZBA secretary

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